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From a letter to Chas. H. Jones, Editor and Manager.

It is the opinion of your Committee, after as careful and thorough an examination as has ever been given to any newspaper, that the Post-Dispatch is entitled to the fullest confidence of the community, and so far as we can learn, no misstatement or over statement has been made in regard to circulation or advertising patronage, and that the entire manner in which the business end of the paper is conducted is highly creditable to yourself and your associates.

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It has proved conclusively the unlimited faith of the people in the credit and resources of the Government.

It has proved that there is a vast amount of money in the country seeking safe investment.

These two conditions are the prime factors of confidence, which is the life of business. The quick and liberal response of the people to the call of the Government has restored confidence in the confidence of the civilized world in the credit of the United States and the confidence of the American people in themselves, their energies and resources. It has shown them how rich and strong they are.

The success of the loan is an overwhelming rebuke to those who assailed the credit of the Government and the confidence of the business men by insisting that the welfare of the country was dependent upon a petty gold reserve and the support of a combine of financiers in New York and London.

A solid foundation has been laid for business activity. Already the good effects of it are felt in reviving prices and a strengthening pulse of commerce. New faith and life have been infused into enterprise. The commercial atmosphere is cleared and charged with ozone.

TILLMAN AND OTHERS.

Except in giving it a personal application, how does the speech of Senator Tillman differ from the arraignment of the financial conspiracy by Carlisle, in the House of Representatives on Feb. 21, 1878, when he said:

"According to my view of the subject, the conspiracy which seems to have been formed here and in Europe to destroy, by legislation and otherwise, from three-sevenths to one-half of the metallic money of the world is the most gigantic crime of this or any other age."

The consummation of such a scheme would ultimately entail more misery upon the human race than all the wars, pestilence and famine that ever occurred in the history of the world."

What has Senator Tillman done? But point to the abettors of what Mr. Bright of Tennessee in the Forty-fifth Congress condemned when he said: "Aye, sir, it was a fraud that will sink in the nose of posterity, and for which some persons must give an account in the day of retribution."

To what else did Senator Tillman call attention, but to that colossal crime to which the Special Committee of the House on the Cause of Agricultural Depression in March, 1886, referred when it reported that "the whole nation is suffering from the effects of the depression of the market for agricultural products."

And has he been carried on to the detriment of agriculture and its dependent industries for thirty years, culminating in the crime of the age, the demonstration of silver in 1878?

As John Clark Ridpath, in the current number of the Arena, says: "Words are inadequate to describe the profundity and criminality of that scheme. It was done by a turn of Shylock's devil, so adroitly and one might say, so unwittingly, to be indescribable in the phraseology of this world."

It is because they feel the effects of this crime and would fix the responsibility for it that so many people to-day applaud blurt-spoken Ben Tillman.

FOR CLEANER STREETS.

The Business Men's League has taken practical steps to secure the object of its resolution demanding cleaner streets, by instructing its Legislative Committee to urge increased appropriations upon the Municipal Assembly.

But increased appropriations is not the only condition essential to cleaner streets. There is no longer a shadow of excuse for failure to keep the streets clean. The authorities know what is needed and what the people want. We have had enough official talk; now let there be efficient work.

GOLD FETTERING EXPOSED.

The gold lunatics have insisted that the financial credit of the United States depended upon keeping a little stock of gold in the Treasury, as a guarantee of gold payments. They have insisted that if the Government did not have a reserve of about \$100,000,000 the credit of the country would go to the demerit bows and nobody would trust it. President Cleveland and Secretary Carlisle have avowed themselves to be of the opinion that the Government could not borrow money except at a high price unless it gave a pledge to pay in gold.

Yet a call for bids for a gold loan has brought offerings aggregating over \$500,000,000. The bonds are sold for gold only, but are payable in "coin." They are offered when the stock of gold in the Treasury is only one-half the supposed limit of safety.

Was the unlimited faith in the Government, indicated by the offer of an enormous loan in gold equal to the entire free stock of gold in the country, based upon the miserable little gold reserve which is subject to diminution at any time? Or was it based upon the magnificent resources and good faith of the United States?

The question exposes the supreme folly, the absurd fetishism of the gold lunacy.

A FEDERAL SCANDAL IN OKLAHOMA.

A number of voters in Oklahoma, without regard to party, have issued an appeal to Congress to investigate what they state is a most grave abuse in the administration of justice. Having appealed without effect to the President and Attorney-General, they now issue a pamphlet form their appeal to Congress to remedy a condition of things which, unless the numerous affidavits adduced are perjured statements, is disgraceful in the extreme.

This pamphlet sets out that Henry W. Scott, Judge of the Third Judicial District of Oklahoma, has been guilty of tampering with jurors, packing juries, imprisoning men without due process of law, consorting with disreputable characters, and acting otherwise in an arbitrary and unjust way.

After a long delay, the pamphlet states, the Department of Justice sent Hon. Willoughby Newton to investigate the charges against Judge Scott. Numerous witnesses appeared before him as examiner, and among other things a letter was addressed to him signed by eighty-one citizens of Oklahoma City, comprising a cross-section of the community, accusing the judge of the misdoings above mentioned and requesting his removal from office.

It is charged that the Administration is engaged in an effort to put off a genuine investigation of the charges against Judge Scott. Examiner Willoughby appears to be prepared to whitewash him, and the citizens are thoroughly disgusted over the matter. They are considering the case merits the careful consideration of Congress.

The St. Francis Herald, Farmington, Mo., has shown enterprise and patriotism by setting up a headquarters where a bird's-eye view of the Flat River Lead Belt in St. Francis County and a number of illustrations of the reduction works at Bonne Terre and the surrounding country. This region contains the biggest lead deposit in the world, and the Herald's picture ought to be sent broadcast as one of the best advertisements of Missouri's resources.

The full text of Senator Tillman's speech in the Senate is reproduced elsewhere in this issue, in compliance with numerous requests. There seems to be a general desire to read the speech exactly as it was delivered, instead of as summarized by the reporters and correspondents.

The mistake in the Congressional Directory that puts Gov. Morton's age at four years more than it is cannot be too severely denounced. The energy with which the Governor is rolling his bar! about will, however, convince every voter that he is still young.

Ample proof has been furnished by the most honest and painstaking investigators that the Post-Dispatch's great circulation is of the best quality, but its books are always open, and every man may see for himself the truth of what has been published.

For once the country should be given national platforms the meaning of which cannot possibly be mistaken by the dullest minds. The straddles of the past have been wearisome and disgusting. Let every party speak plainly to the people this year.

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Never was a birdie so understanding, if the St. Louis Convention makes the request in proper form, Mr. Harrison will doubtless assent.

AN IRREFUTABLE ARGUMENT.

From La Caricature.

"Your nose is always red, private. Drunk and!"

"Why, no, indeed, captain! I drink nothing but white wine."

In Blue and Gold.

From the New York Tribune.

The blue sea along the coast of West Virginia is the mist of heat from the anthracite mines.

At anchor stands a brown-winged dasher with life sails and ear.

The pointed sticks against a purple sky give back the sunset glow.

I hear the whistling swallows call and I watch the day grow old.

The day goes down in splendor strange and new.

O what a world this happy sunset!

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Prosecution of Election Fraud Cases Comes to Naught.

\$7,000 THROWN TO THE WIND

After \$4,000 Had Been Paid Lawyers the Supreme Court Reverses a Case on a Defective Indictment.

The Committee of Public Safety, the members of which undertook to prosecute and convict a number of election fraud cases, have abandoned the fight as practically hopeless after the expenditure of \$7,000, of which sum \$4,000 went to Franklin Ferriss and Henry T. Kent, who are employed as attorneys.

Of all the cases undertaken by the committee, the one which was the most costly and which is still under indictment, but no disbursements have not been made to encourage the lawyers to hope for a conviction. The fact is that the prosecution will probably be dropped and nothing more heard of it.

In the case of Edward Miller a conviction was obtained before Judge Edmunds in the Criminal Court. C. Orrick Bishop prosecuting, assisted by Henry T. Kent.

Two of the judges testified to having seen Miller vote on the day of the election and two outsiders gave evidence that they had seen him enter the polling place a number of times. This was in Precinct No. 1 of the First Ward. Testimony was also submitted to show that Miller had fraudulently voted in Precinct No. 1.

R. Graham Frost, attorney for Miller, objected to this latter evidence on the ground that the charge was not made in the indictment. He also held that the indictment was defective. For this reason he refused to make any further effort.

Miller was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. However, his attorney secured a new trial a few days ago on the ground that the indictment was defective. Alphonse Sharkey, who was convicted, but his case has been appealed and it is believed that it will meet with the same fate as that against Miller.

This, for all practical purposes, ends this class of cases. The perfunctory effort may be made to revive them, but there is no reason to believe, now that a campaign in connection with the present election, that any of the cases will be prosecuted.

The fatal blow was given to the prosecution when Wolf, the Wahab clerk, disappeared from the city. Wolf, who was charged that he was concerned, turned State's evidence and made a deposition in which he implicated a number of the present election frauds in the First Ward.

Among those who had helped to engineer the jobs, he said, were Elmer Moseley and Powers, who was afterwards convicted of perjury in the Trolly case.

This evidence was of the most important nature and it was believed that upon it a number of convictions would be secured. Unfortunately, however, the State's attorney allowed the matter to leak out and Wolf was spirited away.

He disappeared from town on the very day following the taking of his deposition. Since then no trace of him has been found. Descriptions of him were sent out and an effort made to locate him, but without avail.

The rumors became so prevalent that he had been bought off. Prominent men who were said to fear being implicated in his crime and who were having a good round sum to make himself scarce.

The name of Col. Ed Butler was mentioned in the rumors, but no evidence was ever secured to substantiate the charge. All that is positively known is that Wolf made his deposition and fled.

It is now a little more than a year since the Safety Committee took the matter up and employed Attorneys Kent and Ferriss. The matter was put in charge of the Executive Committee of which William Cole was Chairman.

Mr. Cole, after looking into the matter, decided that it would require a good round sum to put the cases through. He laid the matter before the general committee, the members of which concurred with Mr. Cole. They went out among the business men and secured \$7,000.

Of the expenditure of this sum Henry T. Kent says: "Mr. Ferriss and I received as our fee \$4,000 for representing our client. Some strange party, however, paid us \$3,000 for more than three months we were unable to give our attention to anything else."

The other \$3,000 went for necessary expenses. In order to obtain testimony sufficient to convict we had to employ a number of detectives to pay for the taking and transcribing of depositions. All this cost a good penny, as you can readily understand.

"But the most important item of expense was in the work done in urging the passage of the new election law by the Legislature. The chief reason, as I understand it, for taking up the prosecution of the election fraud cases was that the Legislature was to create public sentiment sufficient to show the members of the Legislature that the people were not to be trifled with. As an attorney I spent three weeks at Jefferson City and Mr. Ferriss made a number of trips to the capital. Of course our expenses were paid out of the fund. As I understand it a portion of the money was also used to defray the cost of sending a number of gentlemen to Jefferson City."

All this ate into the fund very rapidly, but it brought a new election law for which we were to have received \$7,000.

"When this was done most of the members of the Safety Committee felt that the chief object of the election fraud cases had been obtained. It was desired, of course, to convict the repeaters if possible, but this it was believed could safely be

THE DREHER TRIAL.

More Testimony That the Prisoner Is a Mental and Moral Wreck.

Bits of evidence covered the clothing of the murderer Charles Dreher when he was brought into Judge Harvey's court Friday.

He had torn the bedding in his cell Thursday night and then watched on the floor in the morning. He was laughing and yelling like a demon, Judge Wagner said in a judgment that Dreher is an idiot.

It was 11 o'clock when Dreher's trial began. The prisoner, who is now in the Missouri State Penitentiary, was brought into the courtroom by a guard. He was wearing a white shirt and trousers, and his hair was matted and his eyes were wild.

Henry Hasenagel of 3718 North Market street was the first witness for the defense. He had known Dreher since the latter's infancy. Hasenagel corroborated the testimony of the other witnesses that Dreher is an idiot.

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CITY NEWS.

Dr. E. C. Chase.

Sixth and Locust. Set of teeth, \$8.

WHO WILL BE MAYOR?

Somers Point Voters May Put Their Names in a Hat and Draw.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Somers' Point, near Atlantic City, N. J., contains several hundred inhabitants, but has only about forty voters. Of these fourteen have come out for Mayor this spring. This has stimulated politics and it is said that about every voter will be a candidate. There is no salary, but the honor is a big thing for Somers' Point. There is serious talk of settling it by putting all names in a hat and drawing for the office.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething rests the child and comforts the mother. 25c.

Church Member Beaten.

GALESBURG, Ill., Feb. 7.—Joe Morian struck Thomas Willstead, a church member of Soperville, on account of Willstead's prosecution of several young men for disturbing a religious meeting. Willstead broke Morian's jaw with an eight-pound weight, and Morian then choked and beat Willstead so badly that he is not expected to live.

To Denver and Cripple Creek Take the "Burlington Route's" daily vestibule train. Leaves Union Station 8:45 p. m. Through sleepers and chair cars to Colorado. Dining car for every meal. Ticket Office, S. W. Cor. Broadway and Olive st.

Killed by a Disreputable Woman. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 7.—Louis Frank, aged 21 years, of respectable parents, was shot and fatally wounded here by Maud Clifford, a disreputable woman, in a rage of jealousy.

MICROBES IN THE BOWELS.

Did you know that millions of microbes, bacteria, ptomaines, invisible to the naked eye, breed and feed in the bowels, causing all kinds of intestinal troubles?

Cascarets
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are the only antiseptic laxative that kill microbes and prevent their propagation. Cascarets therefore prevent as well as cure.

Cure Constipation.

A booklet and sample free for the asking, or you can buy a box for 25c, or four boxes for \$1.00. Satisfaction guaranteed. Write to the nearest drug store, or to the nearest Cascarets agent.

DISCRIMINATION CHARGED.

Southwestern Roads Must Answer to the Interstate Committee.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 7.—Citizens from the Interstate Commerce Committee to appear at a special meeting of that body in Chicago on Feb. 20 have been received by nearly every Western and Southwestern road having a representative in this city, the summons setting forth that the matter under consideration will be an alleged violation of sec. 4 of the act to regulate commerce between the States by the Atchison, Topka & Santa Fe and its receivers and other roads.

This case is founded on the complaint of Charles G. Freeman, a dealer in produce at Cadillac, Mich. In his charges he alleges that he is unable to compete with merchants in the same line of business at Grand Rapids and Southern Michigan points because of the discrimination of certain roads which refuse him proportionately as good rates to Texas as are given to others. His complaint names as respondents the Santa Fe, the Rock Island, the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis, the Missouri Pacific, the Missouri, Kansas & Texas, the St. Louis & San Francisco, the St. Louis Iron Mountain & Southern, the St. Louis Southwestern, the Southern Pacific and the Texas & Pacific Railroad Co. All these have been cited to appear before the committee, as has also the Indiana, Illinois & Iowa.

In their answer to the complaint the respondent roads set forth that the State of Michigan is divided by them for freight purposes by the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Michigan road. North of this line what is known as Detroit-Cleveland territory. From the south of this territory get only the sum of the local tariffs to the through rate leading points. They claim the Detroit-Cleveland territory is under the supervision of the Central Traffic Association, with which they have no traffic arrangements and with the tariffs of which they have nothing to do. They also claim the rates from Cadillac are influenced by the fact of the application of both the official and the Western classifications, for which they are not responsible.

MISSOURI Y. M. C. A.

Proceedings of the State Convention in Session at Fayette.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

FAYETTE, Mo., Feb. 7.—The State Convention of the Y. M. C. A. of Missouri is in session in this city, with 105 delegates present. Hon. C. M. Betts delivered an address of welcome on the part of the City of Fayette, and President V. B. Hammond of Central College followed in behalf of the students and colleges. The principal address at last night's session was delivered by E. W. Stephens of Columbia; subject, "The Kind of Young Men Now in Demand by the Business World."

At today's session the topics discussed were: "Noteworthy Events Among the Past Year," "Four Essentials in the Christian Worker," "The Advantage to Christian Business Men of Having a Young Men's Christian Association in the Community."

February 11th the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway will sell tickets at very low rates. For further information call at 31 North Broadway or at ticket office, Union Station.

IT CURES CONSUMPTION.

Dr. Cyrus Edson Discovers the Right Solution of Carbolic Acid.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Dr. Cyrus Edson, former Health Commissioner and widely known as a contributor to magazines, publishes an article in the Medical Record treating of his new-found cure for consumption—a solution of carbolic acid called Aseptolin.

Dr. Edson discovered Aseptolin in September, 1886. To date, 217 persons having consumption have been treated with it. Of these, four showed no improvement, and of the four, one died. The rest, 213, showed improvement. Of these, twenty-three have been discharged cured, sixty-seven have been under treatment for two short a time to enable the attending physician to say anything except that the patients are better. In thirty-two cases the improvement was only temporary, but this record means about 40 per cent of cures, and these cases have been those of patients with the disease in all stages.

About fifty physicians in the country have procured Aseptolin from Dr. Edson's laboratory, 24 Whitehall street, New York City, and are using it in their practice. It has cured every case of malaria and in groups in which it has been tried, seventy-seven in all of malaria and fifty-one of typhoid.

Upon authority of Prof. Henry A. Mott, chemist, of New York, Aseptolin is composed of: Water, 97.341 per cent; phenol, 2.659 per cent; picrocarbin-phenyl-hydroxide, 0.001 per cent. In order to understand Dr. Edson's discovery it is necessary to remember that Pasteur and Koch discovered and established the fact that germ diseases had as their ultimate cause the presence in the body of minute organisms, called bacteria, microbes and the like. It was not long before these germs were cultivated, as it were, and it was found that some germs from a diseased person were transferred to some healthy person, and the result was that the healthy person became diseased.

Having the cultivated colonies, the scientist made many experiments. They found that if a mixture of one part of phenol or carbolic acid, to four parts of water were floated over a colony of germs and left there for twenty-four hours all these germs died. It naturally occurred to Dr. Edson that if he could kill germs outside the body it would kill them inside, and the conclusion that if he could kill germs in the body he could destroy the cause of the disease and thus cure the latter was apparent. The experiment was promptly tried. The result was some of those in whom injections were put developed abscesses at the point of injection. For more, however, were poisoned by the acid, and the idea had to be given up. It was too fascinating, though, to let go. Dr. Edson made a mixture of one of the acid to 100 of water, and putting in a very small amount, he found that it killed the germs. He then made a study of carbolic acid. He found that Stead, Morck, Beger, Bolkowski and other chemists, served in declaring that carbolic acid, or carbolic acid, was always in the blood of man, and that before leaving the body it was always in the blood.

person became sick. Yet all observers agree carbolic acid could not be injected into the blood without poisonous effects. Dr. Edson then began his search for a solution which would not poison the patient, and after a long and tedious experiment produced a fluid which he calls Aseptolin. It is perfectly colorless, looks like crystal and smells strongly of carbolic acid. It contains 1.5 per cent of carbolic acid. It is a liquid from two to two and one-half times as strong with the acid as was the 1-100th to 3-100th solution which killed the cultivated germs. The circulation of the blood applies this carbolic solution to every part of the body many times in an hour. Whenever there is disease and the germs which cause it, that spot is being continually washed with this carbolic solution, in which no germ can live more than a few hours.

FROM SPAIN!

Olives, 18c a qt.
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COURT-ROOM ABLAZE.

Unexpected Result of a Judge's Test of Evidence.

COLUMBIA, Mo., Feb. 7.—At the trial of Sallie Gordon, colored, for arson, yesterday, Judge James Gillespie applied a match to a pile of paper and paper to settle a contention as to whether there was oil in the material. In an instant the court room was ablaze and the occupants fled. The fire department put out the flames before much damage was done.

Sweet Moments cigarettes are the best. Try a package. Sold by all dealers.

PRESIDENT DAVIS RESIGNS.

He Will Help Build a Shorter Line East From San Antonio.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 7.—President Wm. Davis of the San Antonio & Gulf Shore Railway has resigned, and with New York capitalists will build a line east from San Antonio, to shorten the distance to New York 300 miles.

Owl Car Time Table.

Call at Post-Dispatch office and get a time-table of the owl cars on every street car line in the city; in convenient form for the vest pocket.

Stockman Robbed of Divorce.

PERRY, O. T., Feb. 7.—John W. Robb, a stockman, well-known in Kansas, Omaha and St. Louis, has obtained a divorce here from his wife, Anna A. Robb. While Robb was on a trip to New Orleans in December, 1895, Mrs. Robb left home and went to Chicago and has never returned. Robb has not heard of her since. The grounds for the divorce are abandonment.

SWEET TO HIS DEATH.

A Locomotive Hurls a Man Into the Baring River.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Feb. 7.—While a locomotive was making ineffectual efforts to draw a flat car carrying a fire-engine to Bound Brook last night, it ran upon a man, probably from Bound Brook, whom the overboard had driven to higher ground upon which the train was stalled. He was hurled into the torrent raging at the side of the track and swept into the Baring River.

TWO KILLED.

Railway Engine Crashes Into an Electric Car at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 7.—A shifting engine of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway ran into a second avenue electric car at Rankin's Crossing, nine miles east of here, at 7 o'clock this morning, killing Conductor W. H. Cobb and fatally injuring Motor-man John Riddle. None of the passengers were hurt.

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DR. TAULBEE'S WOES.

His Many Reasons for Wanting a Divorce From His Wife.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 7.—A special to the Star from Perry, O. T., says: Rev. J. M. Taulbee, formerly presiding elder of the Methodist Church of Covington, Ky., has sued his wife, Sallie C. Taulbee, for divorce. Rev. Taulbee charges the defendant with neglecting him in that she wine and dined other men in his absence. He also charges her with selling his property and running away with another man.

BATTLE IN A SALOON.

Three Killed and Five Wounded on Account of Nationality.

WHITING, Ind., Feb. 7.—John Mokin, Stephen Mulcha and Emory Ssanjo were killed, John Thomas was fatally wounded, and John Gladstone, Peter Nass, Garber Friesover and Leo Morgenthal were seriously wounded in a saloon fight here yesterday afternoon.

V.-P.-Vandalla-Pennsylvania.

Sold trains to New York.

Broken With the Santa Fe.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 7.—The News to-day publishes the following:

"Receiver Hastings of the Colorado Midland road is in Chicago. It is rumored that he has broken with the Santa Fe and has formed a combine with the Gulf, which will throw the business of the Midland over to the insolvent of the Midland, Gulf and Santa Fe know much more than they are willing to disclose for the information of the public. Receiver Trumbull is mum as an oyster and nobody was found at Midland headquarters who was willing to express an opinion."

FANNY DAVENPORT.

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